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8. U.S. Patent No. 6,259,962 is made of record.
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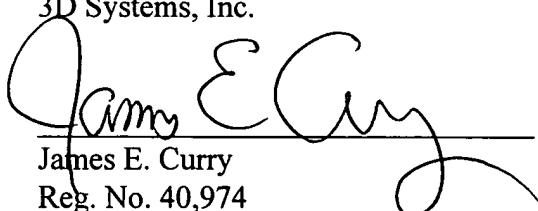
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